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Dear Commissioner of the Patent Office:

This past late August of 2009, my bookkeeper, Shepherd Freedland had a major stroke. Mr. Freedland pays all of my corporate & personal bills. Unfortunately, due to Shepherd's untimely taking ill, I was not able to pay my maintenance fee of \$490.00 for my patent by 9/20/09. When I recently received back all of my paper work from Mr. Shepherd's wife, I immediately called the office of patents to make payment on the maintenance fee and was told I needed to send in that fee plus an unavoidable fee as well.

I am asking that you please reinstate my patent to be current with no other additional fees as I have enclosed my \$700.00 unavoidable fee along with my maintenance fee of \$490.00 totaling \$1,190.00. I run a small business and this additional fee really put an enormous amount of financial stress to me and my family.

If you have any questions as to the validation of the above, please feel free to speak to Mr. Shepherd's wife, Irene Shepherd. She can be reached at 212-706-0564.

I appreciate the consideration.

Thanking you,

Edward Jackowski, Ph.D.